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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : ELMALEH, et al.
U.S. Serial No. : 10/827,054
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For : **METHOD OF MONITORING BLOOD FLOW AND
METABOLIC UPTAKE IN TISSUE WITH
RADIOLABELED ALKANOIC ACID**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the claims without prejudice, without
admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any
estoppel as to equivalents, as follows: